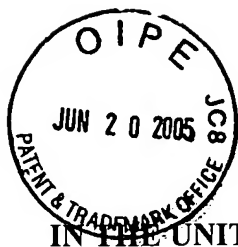


IFW

PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) Dhanaraj et al. Examiner: Unassigned  
Serial No.: 10/674,516 Group Art Unit: 1654  
Confirmation No: 5523 Docket: 1264-15  
Filed: September 17, 2003 Dated: June 17, 2005  
For: COVERED STENT WITH  
BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE  
MATERIAL

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

*I hereby certify this correspondence is being deposited  
with the United States Postal Service as first class mail,  
postpaid in an envelope, addressed to:  
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
On June 17, 2005*

Signed: Barbara Thomas

SUIPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In fulfillment of the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98. It is understood that the information provided herein is solely for the purpose of fulfilling Applicant's obligations under the law and should not be construed as nor is it intended to be an admission of prior art. As this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97.

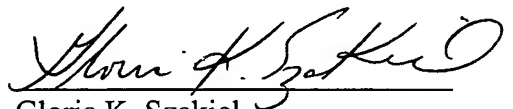
A copy of a PCT International Search Report dated May 17, 2005, which was prepared by the International Searching Authority for corresponding International Application No. PCT/US2004/29649, is enclosed. Except for being cited in the search report, the exact relevance of the references is known.

As the Office has waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a paper copy of each cited U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent Application Publication for applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of these references are not included herewith.

It is believed that the present application is in all respects complete, and in condition for examination and favorable consideration.

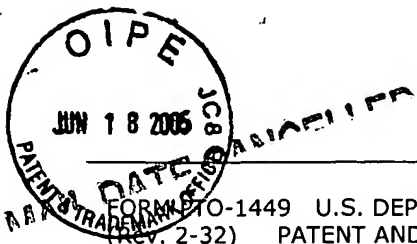
If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' agent at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



Gloria K. Szakiel  
Registration No.: 45,149  
Agent for Applicant(s)

HOFFMANN & BARON, LLP  
6900 Jericho Turnpike  
Syosset, New York 11791  
(973) 331-1700



FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
(REV. 2-32) PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTY. DOCKET NO.  
1264-15

SERIAL NO.  
10/674,516

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

APPLICANT  
Dhanaraj et al.

CONFIRMATION NO.  
5523

(Use several sheets if necessary)

FILING DATE  
September 17, 2003

GROUP  
1654

U.S. PATENT PUBLICATIONS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,563,124	10/08/96	Damien et al.			
	6,262,017	07/17/01	Dee et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication with applicant.